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Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 10 806,671 First Named Applicant: Robert D. Fogal, Sr.
 Examiner: Stormer, Russell D. Art Unit: 3617 Status of Application: Pending

Tentative Participants:

(1) Examiner Stormer (2) Robert D. Fogal, Sr.
 (3) Robert D. Fogal, Jr. (4) Robert J. Clark

Proposed Date of Interview: 05/17/05 Proposed Time: 10:00 (AM/PM)

Type of Interview Requested:

(1) ☐ Telephonic (2) ☒ Personal (3) ☐ Video Conference

Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: ☒ YES ☐ NO

If yes, provide brief description: Video showing prior art and invention

Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) <u>Rej.</u>	<u>Claim 25</u>	<u>Johnson/Lead</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(2) <u>Rej.</u>	<u>Claim 1</u>	<u>Johnson</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(3) <u>Rej.</u>	<u>Claim 29</u>	<u>Johnson/Lead</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(4) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Continuation Sheet Attached					

Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:

That the added claim requirements distinguish over the prior art of record.

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on _____.

NOTE: This form should be completed by applicant and submitted to the examiner in advance of the interview (see MPEP § 713.01).

This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to submit a written record of this interview. Therefore, applicant is advised to file a statement of the substance of this interview (37 CFR 1.133(b)) as soon as possible.

 Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature

 Examiner/SPE Signature

 Typed/Printed Name of Applicant or Representative

 Registration Number, if applicable

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Interview with Examiner Stormer regarding Application S/N 10/806.671
May 17, 2004

- Introduction
 - Highlight inventors experience in field of balancing
 - Show examples of the cartridge balance weights
- Overview of highlights of claim amendments
 - Method claim 25 now requires
 - step of determining amount of imbalance and a correction location for the imbalance
 - step of attaching cartridge balance weight to the non-pressurized side of the wheel
 - Apparatus claim 1 now requires
 - cartridge attached to tire wheel assembly
 - cartridge includes adhesive
 - cartridge positioned on non-pressurized side of the tubewell
- Video
 - Steps of standard lead weight balancing of tire/wheel assembly
 - Tire/wheel assembly balances out on a spin balancer
 - Steps of cartridge weight balancing of tire/wheel assembly
 - Tire/wheel assembly balances out on a spin balancer
 - Use of multiple Johnson cartridges – pressure side of tubewell
 - **Tire/wheel assembly does not balance out on a spin balancer**
 - Use of multiple cartridges – non-pressure side of wheel – 360 degrees
 - **Tire/wheel assembly does not balance out on a spin balancer**
 - Adding the cartridge weight of the present invention as claimed to the tire/wheel assembly having multiple cartridges – non-pressure side of wheel – 360 degrees
 - **Tire/wheel assembly DOES balance out on a spin balancer**
- Advantages of present invention over prior art lead weight balancing
 - Flowable material can adjust position if balance location changes in use or if attached slightly off the exact location for imbalance correction by balance machine operator
 - Less vibration – dampening effect
 - Better balance – actual balance as opposed to within machine tolerances
- **Why amended claims are patentable over prior art**
 - Novelty
 - there is no prior art that anticipates the claimed invention
 - Non-Obviousness
 - there is prior art that when combined provides the present invention
 - no motivation, suggestion, or teaching to combine lead weight balancing with flowable 360 degree balance rings or cartridges
 - No additional searching should be required by claim amendments
 - Amended claims are narrower than originally claimed invention